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#### AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

## Dear Sir:

This is in response to the September 12, 2006 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants have petitioned concurrently herewith to extend the period for responding to that Action for one (1) month, from December 12, 2006 up to and including January 12, 2007 and have paid the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and 1.17(a)(1).

Amendments to the claims begin at page 2 of this Reply. Remarks begin at page 6 of this Reply.